

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of the claims:

Claims 1-10. (Cancelled)

Claim 11. (Currently amended) A composition for ~~preventing hair loss and~~ promoting hair growth [[,]] comprising an Asiasari Radix extract as an active ingredient, further comprising an inhibitor of 5 α -reductase activity which is at least one selected from Sophorae radix extract, Coicis semen extract, and an activator of hair follicle cells which is at least one selected from hinokitiol and nicotinamide;

wherein the Asiasari radix extract is obtained by extracting Asiasari radix with a lower alcohol, n-hexane, or a mixture thereof;

the Asiasari radix extract is in an amount of 0.01~10% by weight based on the solid content relative to the total weight of the composition; and

the inhibitor of 5 α -reductase activity is an amount of 0.001~10% by weight and the activator of hair follicle cells is in an amount of 0.001~10% by weight, based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 12-17. (Cancelled)

Claim 18. (Previously presented) The composition according to claim 11, further comprising at least one selected from capsicum tincture, tocopherol acetate, benzyl nicotinate, piroctonolamine, salicylic acid and l-menthol.

Claim 19. (Cancelled)

Claim 20. (Previously presented) A topical formulation for transdermal application, comprising the composition according to claim 11.

Claim 21. (Currently amended) A composition for ~~preventing hair loss and~~

promoting hair growth [[,]] comprising a lower alcohol extract of Asiasari Radix as an active ingredient, and further comprising Sophorae Radix extractant, Hinokitiol, and Capsicum tincture.

Claims 22-25. (Cancelled)

Claim 26 (new): A method for promoting hair growth, which comprises treating a patient in need thereof with a pharmaceutical composition for transdermal application comprising an Asiasari radix extract as an active ingredient, further comprising an inhibitor of 5α -reductase activity, which is at least one selected from Sophorae radix extract, Coicis semen extract, and an activator of hair follicle cells which is at least one selected from hinokitiol and nicotinamide;

wherein the Asiasari radix extract is obtained by extracting Asiasari radix with a lower alcohol, n-hexane, or a mixture thereof;

the Asiasari radix extract is in an amount of 0.01~10% by weight based on the solid content relative to the total weight of the composition; and

the inhibitor of 5α -reductase activity is an amount of 0.001~10% by weight and the activator of hair follicle cells is in an amount of 0.001~10% by weight, based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 27 (new): The method according to claim 26, wherein the inhibitor of 5α -reductase activity is Sophorae radix extract and the activator of hair follicle cells is hinokitiol.

Claim 28 (new): The method according to claim 26, wherein the composition further comprises at least one selected from capsicum tincture, tocopherol acetate, benzyl nicotinate, piroctonolamine, salicylic acid, and 1-menthol.

Claim 29 (new): The method according to claim 26, wherein the composition further comprises capsicum tincture.